

Our family urges you not to pass any proposal that would lessen the protections available to us under the Indiana Telephone Privacy Act. This Privacy act has cut our telemarketing call from several an evening to just several a month.

My husband and I both use to dread answering the phone for all the unwanted calls. We would try to be polite and explain that we do not take phone solicitations. The number of pushy and rude telemarketers were unbelievable!

We do not pay close to \$60 a month for the privilage of having a telephone only to have companies invade our privacy at home and be rude to us. In other words we pay for our phone line, we should have the right not to have commercial calls use our number if we so desire. We feel it is terribly unfair to have to consider to pay and additional \$12-15 more a month to have "Privacy Management" and "Call Waiting."

The phone line is a life line for emergencies and for families to keep in touch. It is not like cable TV where you do not rely on it for emergencies but for entertainment. At least with TV cable we have free options to mute the commercial or to change channels.

We have enjoyed a freedom from phone solicitations that we truly took for granted until we heard it was being challenge. Please! Please, consider adopting the same protections that the Indiana Telephone Privacy Law has in place. It have a proven track record that it works and ultimately serves the people not the commercial companies.

Thank you for your time and consideration,
Veronica Miller